

TAEP is strengthening agriculture in Tennessee by providing cost share funds for long term investments in Tennessee's livestock and farming operations. Cost share opportunities are also available to veterinarians, livestock markets, statewide agriculture producer associations, fairs and farmers markets.

TAEP is a direct result of the State of Tennessee's commitment to supporting its agricultural community.

Cost Share Information					
50% up to \$5000 Maximum	Applicants will receive notification of approval or denial in writing.				

Application and Reimbursement Schedule						
Program	Application Period	Anticipated Approval Announcement	Reimbursement Deadlines			
Veterinary Equipment	July 1 - August 1, 2010	Starting August 15, 2010	December 1, 2010			

# **Basic Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicant must be an individual Tennessee resident.
- Applicant must register their Premises with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture (TDA).
- Applicant must have a current Tennessee license.
- Applicant must have an active practice located in Tennessee dealing with cattle, goats and/or sheep.
- Equipment purchased must be located in Tennessee.
- Applicant must have the ability and financial capacity to complete the project.

# **Premises Registration -**

Premises registration forms and instructions are available from TDA at www.tennessee.gov/agriculture/regulatory/livestock.html or by calling 615-837-5120.

**Important** – the applicant's name must match either the primary or secondary name listed on premises account.

# **Application Rules**

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- 1. Applications must be postmarked July 1 August 1, 2010 or hand delivered during the same period.
- 2. Faxed applications will not be accepted.
- 3. Applications received prior to July 1, 2010 will be returned.
- 4. Applicant will be notified in writing of approval or denial. Allow 8 weeks for application processing.

#### **Reimbursement Rules**

- 1. Receipts/payments dated prior to July 1, 2010 are not eligible.
- 2. Cash receipts or receipts for in-kind services are not eligible.
- 3. Only items listed as eligible will be considered for cost share assistance
- 4. Used equipment or used materials are not eligible for cost share reimbursement.
- 5. Labor provided by applicant or their employees is not eligible for cost share reimbursement.
- 6. Applicant cannot be reimbursed for purchases from a business where applicant participates in ownership (producer cooperatives excluded).
- 7. Applicants cannot combine projects with other applicants.
- 8. Proof of payment is required in the form of canceled check copies (bank provided copies are acceptable), cashier's check, money order or credit receipt.
- 9. Reimbursement documentation must be postmarked or hand delivered by the reimbursement deadline. Allow 10 weeks for processing. Additional processing time is required for incomplete reimbursement requests and requests submitted within one month of the program deadline.
- 10. Minimum cost share reimbursement request is \$250 per program.
- 11. Failure to complete projects and utilize allocated funds can affect eligibility for future program participation.
- 12. Falsifying applications, invoices or other documents submitted to TDA may make producer and farm ineligible to participate in present and/or future TDA programs, and may result in civil litigation or criminal prosecution.

#### **Verification Rules** -

- 1. Applicant must utilize equipment and structures purchased with cost share funds for the intended purpose of the program for a minimum of three continuous years from date of purchase.
- 2. Site visits relating to the performance of the activity before, during and after completion may take place.
- 3. Applicants may be required to repay funds if they fail to comply with all aspects of the cost share guidelines

# **TAEP Reserves the Right to:**

- Reject any or all requests.
- Modify program criteria, approval and payment processes.
- Provide partial funding for specific activity components that may be less than the full amount requested.
- Require additional information from the applicant.
- Deny payments for projects that do not meet requirements.

# **TAEP Contact Information**

Dr. Charles Hatcher, State Veterinarian (615) 837-5183

Ryan Betzelberger TAEP Livestock Improvement Coordinator (615) 837-5382

TAEP - Veterinarian Cost Share Tennessee Department of Agriculture Ellington Agricultural Center P.O. Box 40627 Nashville, TN 37204



Information Line **1.800.342.8206** 



# 2010 Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program

Veterinarian Handling Equipment (Cattle, Goats, Sheep) Application period July 1 - August 1 INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED

Mail completed form to:				
TN Department of Agriculture				
Attn: TAEP – Veterinarian Cost Share				
P.O. Box 40627				
Nashville, TN 37204				
No Faxes Accepted				
Date Received:				

Applicant Information Please Type or Print Clearly								
Name of Veterinary Clinic:			Date:					
Last Name:	ne: First: Middle:		Middle:	Clinic Tax ID Number:				
Secondary Contact at Clinic:								
Residential Mailing Address: City		City:	City:		: Zip Code:			
Clinic Mailing Address:		City:		State	:	Zip Code:	le:	
Clinic Physical Address:		City:		State	:	Zip Code:	County:	
TN License #:	F	Premises ID #:	mises ID #: Pren		nises Acct #:			
Clinic Phone #:	9	Secondary Phone #: Em		Email	ail:			
		Pract	tice Informa	ation				
What percentage of your practice pertains to cattle?			attle?	%				
Of cattle serviced, what percentage is beef?				peef?	%			
Of cattle serviced, what percentage is dairy?				airy?	%			
Do you offer ambulatory cattle services?				ices?	Yes No			
Do you offer haul-in cattle services?				ices?	Yes No			
What percentage of your practice pertains to goats and/or sheep			heep	%				
Annual BSE's performed?			med?	# bulls For # producers				
Annual pregnancy exams?				# females For # producers				
Equipment Information								
Complete the table on page 4. You may check multiple blocks. Only items listed are eligible.								
Cost Share Request (50% - \$5000 Max.) \$								

Mobile Clinic Equipment  Checkthe equipmentapplying for						
	Mobile veterinary unit insert			Mobile veterinary full body units		
Handling Equipment  Check the equipment applying for						
	Commercial head gate			Cattle BSE Equipment limited to the following items:		
	Squeeze chute*  Palpation cage	g chute		Electroejaculator and leads Semen collection device and holder		
	Curved or offset working chu					
	Holding chute/alleyway	lolding chute/alleyway		Insulated jacket for cold weather		
	Loading chute and/or system			Microscope		
	Crowding tub and/or system			Warming stage for cold weather		
	Holding pen and/or hospital pen			Semen stains and fixatives.		
	Animal scales*  Hoof trimming table or chute					
				Electronic Health Certificate Service		
	Semen tank			100% cost share (\$400 maximum) this service only		
Radio frequency readers must be capable of reading animal identification approved by U.S. Department of Agriculture						
	Computer & software for reading scanners must provide recording and transmittal of animal identification					
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USED EQUIPMENT Equipment Foundation  concrete eligible for items marked with * only labor is not included  CASH RECEIPTS					CASH RECEIPTS	
□ Lear	tify that all the information on this an	inlication is complete true, and fac	tual to th	e hest of my knowledge	and halief	
<ul> <li>I certify that all the information on this application is complete, true, and factual to the best of my knowledge and belief.</li> <li>I understand that providing any false, fraudulent, or misleading information may result in penalties and/or eligibility to participate in present and/or future Tennessee Department of Agriculture programs.</li> <li>I also understand that failure to utilize allocated funds can affect eligibility for future programs.</li> <li>I have reviewed and understand all of the guidelines in this application.</li> </ul>						
	Veterinarian Signature			Date		
Applicant will be notified of approval in writing upon review of application. Questions concerning this program may be directed to Dr. Charles Hatcher (615) 837-5183 or the Livestock Improvement Coordinator (615) 837-5382.  Tennessee Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 40627, Nashville TN 37204; Fax 615-837-5194						
Office Use Only						
Appro	Approval Signature: Date of App			Application #:		
Allotm	Allotment Code: Cost Center:			Total Amount Approved:		
Comments:						